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(C) Poloff discussed reftel points with Svetlana Geleva, MFA Director for Multilateral Affairs, on 12 September. Geleva indicated that Macedonia will support the planned resolutions in the Third Committee on Iran, Burma, and DPRK. She concurred that a resolution on Belarus is not needed at this time. Geleva said that Macedonia would review and consider support for a possible resolution on Zimbabwe, but must do so in light of the latest developments and potential progress toward resolution of the political crisis there. She indicated that Macedonia concurs that no-action motions are a serious problem and will take a principled stand against them. Finally, Geleva stated that Macedonia will vote against any resolution on "defamation of religions."

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